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COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN NEEDS
Wednesday, September 20, 2006 - 9:00 A.M.
Milwaukee County Courthouse, Room 201-B

MINUTES

CASSETTE #: 30; Side B, 356 to EOT
31; Side A, 001 to 322

PRESENT: Supervisors West, *Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, *Clark, Rice and Coggs-Jones (Chair)

*Supervisors Quindel and Clark were not present at the time of roll call but appeared later in the meeting.

SCHEDULED ITEMS:

RESOLUTIONS – 1

1. 06-343 Resolution by Supervisor Borkowski to increase Milwaukee County's tax levy commitment to Milwaukee County Paramedic Unit host communities. **(Also to the Committee on Finance and Audit) (07/19/06: Laid over in Committee by a vote of 4-3) (Report from Director, DHHS, dated 09/06/06 regarding system costs and revenue and a revised fiscal note prepared by County Board staff)**

APPEARANCES:

Supervisor Mark A. Borkowski, 11th District
Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

- 30/B-377 Supervisor Borkowski stated that he along with other County Board members met with the Intergovernmental Coordinating Council (ICC) in early June at which time the paramedic funding was the primary focus. Since that time, there has been a lot of discussion regarding the future of the program. Supervisor Borkowski reminded the Committee that prior to the ICC meeting, the County Board made a commitment to at least provide the minimal funding for this program. However, a commitment from the County Executive is yet to be received. He summarized a breakdown of what monies would be used in various areas of the program. In closing, Supervisor Borkowski stated he felt it important to give the Committee the overall picture of what is needed.

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30/B-435 Mr. Henken stated there have been some very constructive negotiations held with Fire Chiefs and the Mayors from the host communities regarding how to structure a new contract and what that contract might entail because the existing contract expires on December 31st of this year. In terms of the contract negotiations, it is the full intent to bring revised contracts to the Committee in the December cycle. Included in the revised contracts will be amenities to provide for greater flexibility for the host communities to enhance their system revenue and also cut down on their operating costs by removing some outdated contractual obligations that prevent them from being able to operate as efficiently as they might otherwise be able to.

Questions and comments ensued.

30/B-504 Supervisor West suggested that a committee be developed made up of grant writers and people who have expertise in seeking funding specifically for emergency government. Once the committee is formed, they should actively seek more funding.

30/B-512 **ACTION BY: (West) Lay item over to budget cycle. Approve. 7-0**
AYES: West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-Jones (Chair) - 7
NOES: 0

DEPARTMENT ON AGING - 4

2. 06HN20 From the Director, Department on Aging, submitting an updated informational report on the May 2006 and Year-to-Date Income Statement of the Care Management Organization (CMO) under Family Care. **(Also to the Committee on Finance and Audit) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

APPEARANCE:

James Hodson, Chief Financial Officer (CMO), Department on Aging

30/B-548 Mr. Hodson summarized the said report and explained that what the report reflects is year-to-date numbers through May 2006. He reviewed revenues, expenditures, and surplus. He stated the numbers that are provided in this report do not include accruals for expenditures that were paid out in the subsequent months for the Personal Care Workers and Supportive Home Care Workers wage increases and provider rate increases. They are still on pace to meet their budget and a surplus for the year, but Mr. Hodson did want to inform the Committee that when the numbers come out for June and July, there will likely be a drop in the

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year-to-date surplus and a deficit due to the accruals.

The Committee took no action regarding this informational report.

3. 06HN21 From the Director, Department on Aging, submitting an informational report on the Department on Aging's 2007 Contract Extensions and Program Review and Evaluation Procedures for Extended Contracts.
(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

APPEARANCES:

Stephanie Stein, Director, Department on Aging

Gail Cheatham, Assistant Director, Department on Aging

30/B-568 Ms. Stein indicated that due to the actions of this Committee, they are able to provide contract extensions to a certain percentage of their agencies. The agencies that are listed in the said report come up this year for contract extensions. All of the evaluations for these agencies have been done, and the audits are in. All of their books are in order; therefore, the Department is moving ahead. The actual contracts will be brought before the Committee in December. The Committee requested some additional information regarding the diversity within management and program staff among providers, which was provided by Ms. Cheatham (copy attached to original minutes).

30/B-653 Ms. Cheatham informed the Committee that there are going to be 17 public hearings held throughout Milwaukee County for various populations. The public hearings are in response to Federal and State obligations to develop and write a plan for the next two years. That plan will be brought before this Committee in the December cycle.

Questions and comments ensued.

The Committee took no action regarding this informational report.

Item #s 4 and 5 were considered together.

4. 06-34 From the Director, Department on Aging, requesting authorization to
(a)(c) increase by \$10,000, from \$353,189 to \$363,189, the Department's contract with United Community Center, Inc., to provide Programs in United Community Center Senior Center for the period January 1, through December 31, 2006.

SEE ITEM #5 FOR COMMITTEE ACTION

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5. 06-34 From the Director, Department on Aging, requesting authorization to
(a)(d) increase by \$36,440, from \$456,581 to \$493,021, the Department's contract with Legal Action of Wisconsin, Inc., to provide Benefit Specialist/Legal Services for the period January 1, through December 31, 2006.

31/A-21 **ACTION BY: (West) Approve Item #s 4 and 5. 7-0**

AYES: West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-Jones (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

ECONOMIC SUPPORT DIVISION – 1

6. 05-537 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services,
(a)(a) requesting authorization to amend a 2006 Economic Support Division Professional Services Agreement with Latino Health Organization.

APPEARANCE:

Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

31/A-38 Mr. Henken indicated that the Department has identified some surplus in the Child Day Care Administration funds and have a pressing need for additional translation services at the South Side Economic Support Office. They are proposing that they be able to use \$10,000 of that revenue to provide the needed translation services.

31/A-45 **ACTION BY: (West) Approve. 7-0**

AYES: West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-Jones (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

DELINQUENCY AND COURT SERVICES DIVISION - 1

7. 06-382 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services,
requesting retroactive authorization to apply for Grant Dollars from the State of Wisconsin for programs within the Delinquency and Court Services Division.

31/A-83 **ACTION BY: (West) Approve. 7-0**

AYES: West, Quindel, Johnson, Cesarz, Clark, Rice and Coggs-Jones (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

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SPECIAL PRESENTATION

- 31/A-118 Supervisor Clark presented Mr. Henken and the Department of Health and Human Services with a trophy from the United Negro College Fund Run/Walk for second place County group participation. Supervisor Clark thanked Mr. Henken and his department on behalf of the United Negro College Fund and the students who benefit from the fund for always taking part in the run/walk and doing such a great job this year.

DHHS/GENERAL – 1

8. 06HN22 From the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, submitting an informational report regarding the receipt of revenues in excess of the amount budgeted in the 2006 adopted budget.
(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

APPEARANCE:

Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services

- 31/A-143 Mr. Henken explained that every year in January or February, decisions are made regarding the closure of the books from the previous year. Estimates are made in terms of the State revenue that's expected to come in. The Department underestimated the final settlement with the State, and therefore now find themselves with a revenue surplus in the prior year reconciliation revenue budgeted amount. The amount estimated was approximately \$1.35 million in the '06 budget. In the end, they recognized about \$4.1 million. That leaves a surplus of about \$2.8 million. Per County policy, this has to be reported to both this Committee and the Finance and Audit Committee. There is also County policy in the budget that dictates that any unanticipated revenue be moved into the appropriation for contingencies. What they are doing via a separate fund transfer request that is before the Finance and Audit Committee this cycle and there will be a subsequent one in October is identify several one time expenditure needs that are not appropriate for the capital budget and would be a good use for a portion of these dollars. A full report will be submitted for the next cycle.

Questions and comments ensued.

The following individuals appeared and spoke regarding this item:

Mr. Bob Glowacki, Easter Seals Kindcare

Mr. Barry Kress

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The Committee took no action regarding this informational report.

STAFF PRESENT:

Rob Henken, Director, Department of Health and Human Services
James Hodson, Chief Financial Officer (CMO), Department on Aging
Stephanie Stein, Director, Department on Aging
Gail Cheatham, Assistant Director, Department on Aging
Martin Weddle, Research Analyst, County Board

This meeting was recorded on tape. Committee files contain copies of the subject reports, communications, resolutions, and ordinances, which may be reviewed upon request to the Chief Committee Clerk. The official copy of these minutes is available in the County Board Committee Services Division.

Length of meeting: 9:03 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Adjourned,

Jodi Kapp

Committee Clerk
Committee on Health and Human Needs